depends upon its location and other administrative exigencies.

(b) and (c) It has not been found feasible to accept the demand of some staff association for bifurcation of the Central Board of Excise & Customs.

(d) and (e) The extent of stagnation varies from Custom House to Custom House.

Induction of Inspectors of Central Excise to discharge functions of intelligence work at Airports

3439. SMT. PRATIBHA SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Principal Collector of Customs, Bombay vide orders issued in June, 1990, inducted 9 Inspector of Central Excise of various Collectorates of Central Excise, into Air Customs Pool Bombay, International Airport to discharge the functions of intelligence work at the International Airport, which were hitherto borne by the Customs House, Bombay;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a move to induct more and more Inspectors/Officers of Central Excise Department at International Airports of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras to carry out Customs functions; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) The policy is to fill 75% of Air Customs pool posts at Bombay by Customs Officers and 25% by Central Excise Officers on deputation. In 1986, it was decided to make the Air Intelligence Unit part of Air Customs Pool for more effective functioning and supervision. In June, 1990, 9 Central Excise Inspectors, who were already on the approved panel of Air Customs Officers were inducted into Air Customs Pool as part of 25% quota for Central Excise Inspectors.

(b) There is at present, no move to change the ratio of Customs Officers and Central Excise Officers for deployment at International Airports of Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

(c) Does not arise.

Facilities to Educated unemployed youths for setting up of hotels

3440. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV :
SHRI JAGESH DESAI :

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) how many educated unemployed entrepreneurs have been provided facilities by his Department to set up new hotels in different parts of the country during the last three years; and

(b) what are the details of such facilities ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK) : (a) While Government provides many incentives for setting up new hotels there is no scheme specifically for educated unemployed entrepreneurs.

(b) Does not arise.

Loans sanctioned by the Nationalised Bank to Women Enterpreneurs in Bihar

3441. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of women entrepreneurs from Bihar to whom loans have been sanctioned by the nationalised banks during the last three years, yearwise;

(b) what is the average time taken in sanctioning such loans; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken to simplify the procedure in this regard so as to reduce the delay of sanctioning of loans ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that women entrepreneurs can approach banks for financial assistance for any viable productive proposal and they are expected to extend credit to them as part of their priority sector lending on concessional terms. However, the present system of data reporting by scheduled commercial banks on advances granted by them to priority sector does not generate the information asked for.

(b) and (c) In terms of the guidelines issued by RBI to all scheduled commercial banks for advances to priority sector, all loan applications upto a limit of Rs. 25,000/- should be disposed of within a fortnight and those for over Rs. 25,000/- within 8 to 9 weeks.

पैप्सी कोला द्वारा बाजार में प्रवेश के लिए औपचारिकताओं का पूरा किया जाना

3442. **डा. अबरार अहमद** : क्या खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पैप्सी कोला द्वारा बाजार में प्रवेश के लिए सभी औपचारिकताएं पूरी कर दी गई हैं ?

वस्त्र मंत्री, साथ में खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री शरद यादव) : मैं पैप्सी फूड्स प्राइवेट लिमिटेड को संसाधित आलू/अन्न से बने आहार, साफ्ट-ड्रिंक कान्संट्रेट और संसाधित फल/सब्जी उत्पाद तैयार करने के लिए कुछ शर्तों पर एक आशय-पत्र मंजूर किया गया है। सरकार इन शर्तों को पूरा करने के बारे में समय-समय पर निगरानी रखती है ।

Introduction of Decentralised Spinning Units in Tamil Nadu

3443. SHRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduce decentralised spinning units with 24 spindles or more on the lines of Gandhigram in Madurai district in Tamil Nadu State with the assistance of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission;

(b) if so, by when such proposal will be implemented; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) Central Government does not set up spinning units.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Primary Weavers' Co-operative Eligibility to get Loans from Nationalised Banks and Commercial Banks

3444. SHRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Primary Weavers' Co-operatives, in the absence of getting credit from the district co-operative central banks in view of their ineligibility to secure refinance from NABARD will be allowed to obtain loans under the differential interest rate scheme from the Nationalised and commercial banks at par with Harijan and Women Cooperative Societies; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) and (b) The Differential Rate of Interest (DRI) Scheme had been introduced to cater to the credit requirements of the weakest amongst the weaker sections by assisting in their efforts to improve their economic conditions through small ventures. The commercial banks are required to lend one per cent of their aggregate advance at as at the end of the previous year under the scheme. A person whose annual income from all sources is not more than Rs. 6400/- per annum in rural areas and not more than Rs. 7200/- in other areas is eligible for loans under the DRI Scheme.